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A

The illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects: programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.47

The Fifth Committee, having considered the statement of programme budget implications submitted by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/56/13) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/644), decides to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.47, a provision of $499,900 would be required for the biennium 2002-2003, as follows: section 4, Disarmament, $456,100; and section 32, Staff assessment, $43,800, to be offset by an equivalent amount under income section 1, Income from staff assessment. Under the procedures established by the General Assembly in its resolutions 41/213 of 19 December 1986 and 42/211 of 21 December 1987, these provisions would represent a charge against the contingency fund. It will be understood that additional requirements as may be required in respect of office accommodation under section 27D, Office of Central Support Services, would be considered by the General Assembly in the context of the first performance report for the biennium 2002-2003.

B

Preparation for the Second World Assembly on Ageing: programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.6/Rev.1, as orally revised

The Fifth Committee, having considered the statement of programme budget implications submitted by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/56/15), decides to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.6/Rev.1, as orally revised, the additional appropriation as may be required under section 26, Public information, would be considered by the General Assembly in the context of the first budget performance report for the biennium 2002-2003.

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Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.26

The Fifth Committee, having considered the statement of programme budget implications submitted by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/56/16): (a) decides to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.26, expenditures not exceeding $252,900 would arise under section 9, Economic and social affairs, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003, and that additional appropriations would be considered by the General Assembly in accordance with the procedures set out in resolutions 41/213 and 42/211 for the use and operation of the Contingency Fund; (b) also decides to inform the General Assembly that the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women should consider reforming its methods of work, including its reporting procedures, in order to prevent future backlogs, and provide guidelines concerning the length of reports from States parties. The Committee and the States parties should consider adopting reporting guidelines that could limit the length of the reports of States parties reports and streamline their structure and content; and (c) further decides to inform the General Assembly that, if additional meeting time proves necessary in the future, the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women should consider the option of extending sessions, rather than holding additional sessions, as this would introduce economies; and to hold its meetings in the most cost-efficient manner.

D

Special session of the General Assembly on children: programme budget implications of draft resolution A/56/L.7

The Fifth Committee, having considered the statement of programme budget implications submitted by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/56/18), decides to inform the General Assembly that should it adopt draft resolution A/56/L.7, an additional appropriation of $539,400 would be required in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003, as follows: section 1, Overall policy-making, $156,200; section 26, Public information, $147,000; and section 27D, Office of Central Support Services, $236,200. Under the procedures established by the General Assembly in its resolutions 41/213 and 42/211, these provisions would represent a charge against the contingency fund.

E

Development of an international radio broadcasting capacity for the United Nations: programme budget implications of draft resolution B contained in document A/56/21/Add.1

The Fifth Committee, having considered the statement of programme budget implications submitted by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/56/20 and Corr.1), decides: (a) to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution B contained in document A/56/21/Add.1, an additional appropriation of $2,680,000 would be required in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003, as follows: section 26, Public information, $2,372,000; and section 32, Staff assessment, $308,000, to be offset by an equivalent amount under income section 1, Income from staff assessment. Under the procedures established by the General Assembly in its resolutions 41/213 and 42/211, these provisions would represent a charge against

the contingency fund, and (b) to request the Secretary-General to explore opportunities for cooperation and cost-sharing of production cost with specialized agencies and funds and programmes in the United Nations system, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session.

F

Use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination: programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.31

The Fifth Committee, having considered the statement of programme budget implications submitted by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/56/21), decides to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.31, expenditure not exceeding $64,100 would arise under section 22, Human rights, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003. Under the procedures established by the General Assembly in its resolutions 41/213 and 42/211, these provisions would represent a charge against the contingency fund.

G

Subregional Centre for Human Rights and Democracy in Central Africa: programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.69/Rev.1

The Fifth Committee, having considered the statement of programme budget implications submitted by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/56/22), decides to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.69/Rev.1, expenditure would arise not exceeding $1 million under section 22, Human rights, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003. Under the procedures established by the General Assembly in its resolutions 41/213 and 42/211, these provisions would represent a charge against the contingency fund.

H

Office of the President of the Economic and Social Council: programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.6

The Fifth Committee, having considered the statement of programme budget implications submitted by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/56/23), decides to recommend to the General Assembly that the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.6 would not require any additional appropriation in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003, as arrangements for the President of the Economic and Social Council would be modelled on those applicable for the President of the Security Council.

I

Situation of human rights in Myanmar: programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.55

The Fifth Committee, having considered the statement of programme budget implications submitted by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/56/24), decides to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.55, an amount of $277,900 would be charged against the provision for special political missions under section 3, Political affairs, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003.

J

United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala: programme budget implications of draft resolution A/56/L.42

The Fifth Committee, having considered the statement of programme budget implications submitted by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/56/26) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/705), decides to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution A/56/L.42, an amount of $14,755,100 would be charged against the provision for special political missions, under section 3, Political affairs, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003.

K

The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development: programme budget implications of draft resolution A/56/L.45

The Fifth Committee, having considered the statement of programme budget implications submitted by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/56/27) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/709), decides to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution A/56/L.45, an amount of $188,500 would be charged against the provision for special political missions, under section 3, Political affairs, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003.

L

Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries: programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.78

The Fifth Committee, having considered the reports of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/56/29) and of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/716), endorses the recommendations of the Advisory Committee and, in this regard, informs the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.78, net appropriations up to $1,220,700 for the biennium 2002-2003 would be required, subject to the procedures for the use and operations of the contingency fund.

M

World Summit on Sustainable Development: programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.71

The Fifth Committee, having considered the statement of programme budget implications submitted by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/56/28), decides to inform the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.71, an additional appropriation of $352,500 would be required in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 under section 26, Public information. Under the procedures established by the General Assembly in its resolutions 41/213 and 42/211, these provisions would represent a charge against the contingency fund.